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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement and Election of Species Requirement dated October 1, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, please amend the application as shown on the following pages:

- I. **Amendments to the Claims** being on page 2; and
- II. The **Remarks** begin on page 34.